

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention provides a method of increasing the  
5 cellular expression of a gene in a biological tissue after delivery of said  
gene to an animal, comprising the step of: administering to said animal  
a pharmacologically effective dose of a glucocorticoid in an amount  
sufficient to increase the cellular expression of said gene. Also  
provided is a various method of treating a pathophysiological state in  
10 a human by increasing cellular expression of a gene after delivery of  
said gene into a biological tissue of an animal in need of such  
treatment, comprising the step of: administering to said animal a  
pharmacologically effective dose of a glucocorticoid in an amount  
sufficient to increase the cellular expression of said gene.

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